

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 10, 2005
6:30 P.M.

The Murray City Council met in regular session on Thursday, March 10, 2005, at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall, with Mayor Rushing presiding.

Council Members Present: Robert Billington, Rita Henley, Danny Hudspeth, Pete Lancaster, Doris Parham, Hugh Massey, Dan Miller, Jason Pittman, Pat Scott, Butch Seargent, and Bill Wells.

Council Members Absent: Lance Allison.

Staff Present: Don Elias, Ken Claud, Thomas Clendenen, Ricky Stewart, J. L. Barnett, Matt Mattingly, David Roberts, Gail Mullins, Don Leet, Candace Dowdy, Warren Hopkins, and Harla McClure.

Mayor Rushing recognized Doris Clark-Parham, council member, and requested that she provide information on Character Counts. Ms. Parham stated Character Counts is an education based initiative. It is not something that is just taught in the school systems. It can also be utilized in city government, faith based organizations, and businesses. Pella brought Character Counts to our community last year.

There will be a Character Counts celebration on Saturday, March 12th in the Curris Center.

Minutes of the council meeting held February 24, 2005, were presented for approval. **Ms. Henley moved, seconded by Mr. Billington,** to approve the minutes as written. With no discussion, Mayor Rushing called for a voice vote, which was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Ordinance Number 2005-1373 an Ordinance amending Chapter 156 (zoning code) of the City of Murray Code of Ordinances regarding text amendments was presented to the council on a first reading. **Mr. Pittman moved, seconded by Mr. Lancaster** to approve said Ordinance.

Mr. Hudspeth questioned the changes to B-4 and B-1 zoning. Ms. Dowdy stated the language “any use permitted in the B-1 business district” would be allowed in a B-4 zone. She stated that B-1 zoning is the most restrictive zoning of the business zones and a B-4 is a medium density district. Both zones are very similar. The B-1 zone tries to limit all of the businesses to accommodate immediate neighborhoods so a large amount of traffic is limited. The B-4 zone is the same type situation. It is limited to retail business and services which will not cause a great deal of traffic.

Ms. Dowdy stated the same language is in a B-3 zone as well. It is a general statement that is included because every type of business is not listed which might be allowed in the specific zones and this language allows same.

With no further discussion, Mayor Rushing called for the roll call vote, which is recorded as follows:

AYES: Danny Hudspeth, Hugh Massey, Doris Parham, Pat Scott, Rita Henley, Robert Billington, Jason Pittman, Pete Lancaster, Dan Miller, and Bill Wells.

NAYS: Butch Seargent.

Mayor Rushing declared Ordinance Number 2005-1373 approved on the first reading.

Ordinance Number 2005-1374 an Ordinance amending Chapter 155 (subdivision regulations) of the City of Murray Code of Ordinances regarding storm water management facilities design criteria exemptions and erosion control was presented to the council on a first reading. **Mr. Scott moved, seconded by Mr. Hudspeth** to approve said Ordinance.

David Roberts, Director of Planning and Engineering, stated that the above referenced sections are being amended to keep them uniform with the same sections that were amended in the zoning code in Ordinance Number 2005-1373.

With no further discussion, Mayor Rushing called for the roll call vote, which is recorded as follows:

AYES: Danny Hudspeth, Hugh Massey, Doris Parham, Pat Scott, Rita Henley, Robert Billington, Butch Seargent, Jason Pittman, Pete Lancaster, Dan Miller, and Bill Wells.

NAYS: None.

Mayor Rushing declared Ordinance Number 2005-1374 approved on the first reading.

Municipal Order 003-2005 appointing Pete Waldrop to the Board of Ethics for a one year term to expire March 10, 2006 was presented to the council for approval. **Ms. Henley moved, seconded by Mr. Pittman** to approve same.

Don Elias, city administrator, stated that the City established a code of ethics, which is required by the state, in 1994. However, no issues have arisen since the board was established which constitute a conflict of interest. Mr. Elias stated there may be some issues that may need to be addressed; therefore, we are re-establishing the board to make it active. He further stated the Board can give advisory opinions on matters.

With no further discussion, Mayor Rushing called for the roll call vote, which is recorded as follows:

AYES: Danny Hudspeth, Hugh Massey, Doris Parham, Pat Scott, Rita Henley, Robert Billington, Butch Seargent, Jason Pittman, Pete Lancaster, Dan Miller, and Bill Wells.

NAYS: None.

Mayor Rushing declared Municipal Order 003-2005 approved.

Municipal Order 004-2005 appointing Joe Chaney to the Board of Ethics for a two year term to expire March 10, 2007 was presented to the council for approval. **Ms. Parham moved, seconded by Mr. Massey** to approve same. With no discussion Mayor Rushing called for the roll call vote, which is recorded as follows:

AYES: Danny Hudspeth, Hugh Massey, Doris Parham, Pat Scott, Rita Henley, Robert Billington, Butch Seargent, Jason Pittman, Pete Lancaster, Dan Miller, and Bill Wells.

NAYS: None.

Mayor Rushing declared Municipal Order 004-2005 approved.

Municipal Order 005-2005 appointing Winfield Rose to the Board of Ethics for a three year term to expire March 10, 2008 was presented to the council for approval. **Mr. Wells moved, seconded by Mr. Pittman** to approve same. With no discussion Mayor Rushing called for the roll call vote, which is recorded as follows:

AYES: Danny Hudspeth, Hugh Massey, Doris Parham, Pat Scott, Rita Henley, Robert Billington, Butch Seargent, Jason Pittman, Pete Lancaster, Dan Miller, and Bill Wells.

NAYS: None.

Mayor Rushing declared Municipal Order 005-2005 approved.

Mr. Wells stated the next Make a Difference Day will be March 12th from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. It is the 50th anniversary for same.

Mr. Hudspeth requested that the Hospital Board have their meetings at night to allow more individuals to attend if they so choose. He stated a noon meeting is not conducive to people who work.

With no further business to come before the council, the meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

H. Thomas Rushing, Mayor

Attest:

Harla McClure
City Clerk